GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
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PROGRAMES FOR POOR IN RURAL AREAS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of programmes being launched by the Government to improve the conditions of landless and homeless farmers/labourers alongwith the funds allocated for this purpose during the last three years State-wise particularly North Eastern States including Sikkim;

(b) whether the Government have reviewed these programmes to give more assistance to improve the condition of the farmers/labourers;

(c) if so, the details in this regards; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISRTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (SHRI SUBHASH MAHARIA)

(a) The Ministry of Rural Development is implementing a number of ruraldevelopment programmes namely, the Self-Employment Scheme of Swarnjayanti Gram Swarozgar Yojana (SGSY), the Wage Employment Scheme of Sampoorna Gramin Rozgar Yojana (SGRY), and the Housing Scheme of Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY), for improving the conditions of Below the Poverty Line (BPL) families, including landless and homeless farmers/labourers. In addition, the Integrated Wasteland Development Programme (IWDP), the Drought Prone Area Programme (DPAP) and the Desert Development Programme (DDP), implemented by the Ministry, also help the landless and homeless farmers/labourers to improve their condition. An amount of Rs.19524.00 crore has been allocated for these Schemes during the last three years. Out of this an amount of Rs.1742.78 crore has been allocated to the North Eastern States including Sikkim.
(b) & (d) The Ministry undertake continuous Monitoring, Evaluation and Review of the programmes implemented by it and policy corrections are made wherever found necessary.